

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Viginia 22313-1450 www.nspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO
09/913,320	10/09/2001	Ernst Freydl	5055	8497
75	590 08/08/2003			
Shoemaker & Mattare Crystal Plaza Building Suite 1203			EXAMINER	
	Davis Highway		MANOHARAN, VIRGINIA	
Arlington, VA	22202-0286		ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			1764	
	•		DATE MAILED: 08/08/2003	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

	Application No. Applicant(s)						
Advisory Action	09/913,320	FREYDL ET AL.					
Advisory Action	Examiner	Art Unit					
	Virginia Manoharan	1764					
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address							
THE REPLY FILED 18 July 2003 FAILS TO PLACE THE Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1 condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appear Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.	void abandonment of this applice the same of this application in the same of t	cation. A proper rep ch places the appli	ply to a cation in				
PERIOD FOR RE	PLY [check either a) or b)]						
a) The period for reply expires 4_months from the mailing date b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Adv event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later th ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS 706.07(f).  Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The da have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extens 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three moderned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	isory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the an SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE te on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.1 sion and the corresponding amount of the latentiary period for reply originally set in	f the final rejection. E FINAL REJECTION. I 36(a) and the appropriate fee. The appropriate ex the final Office action; or	See MPEP e extension fee tension fee under (2) as set forth in				
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.							
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered be							
(a) $oxed{\boxtimes}$ they raise new issues that would require furth	er consideration and/or search (	(see NOTE below);					
(b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note I							
(c)       ★ they are not deemed to place the application issues for appeal; and/or	in better form for appeal by mat	terially reducing or	simplifying the				
(d) they present additional claims without cancel NOTE:	ling a corresponding number of	finally rejected clai	ms.				
3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	ction(s):						
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	l be allowable if submitted in a s	separate, timely file	d amendment				
5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:							
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.							
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendmen explanation of how the new or amended claims w	t(s) a)⊠ will not be entered or t ould be rejected is provided bel	o)⊡ will be entered low or appended.	and an				
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:							
Claim(s) allowed: <u>none</u> .							
Claim(s) objected to: 17-22.							
Claim(s) rejected: <u>13-16,23 and 24</u> .							
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:							
. ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.							
Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)( PTO-1449) Paper No(s)							
10. Other: See Continuation Sheet							
S. Patent and Trademark Office							

Continuation of 10. Other: Con't of "Note", supra.

The proposed amdts., would provoke new 112 rejections. For examples Only: Claims 14-20 appear to be at odd with the claim from which they depend directly or indirectly. Claim 13 recites that the "connection means comprising plural channels", whereas, claim 20 recites that the "connection means comprise a sealing plate" which is inconsistent therewith. (A dependent claim incorporates every features of the claim from which it depends and cannot change or orient the limitation(s) already recited in the claim from which it depends). See the different embodiments described at pages 3-5 of the instant specification, embodying different connection means of the claimed invention.